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To the Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated as shown below.

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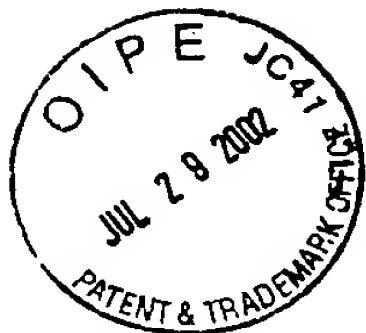
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AMENDMENT A

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed March 22, 2002, on the above referenced patent application, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the application as follows:

Set forth below is a clean set of all amendments to the specification and the claims. The actual amendments to the specification and claims are shown in the attachment.

In the Specification

Please substitute the following amended paragraph for the pending paragraph on page